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Personal Rating -- 'noise'

By Carson Agnew

One of the two principal indicators used as a basis for admission to MIT has been called "noise" in a report released to the faculty last week.

The report, entitled A Guide to the Freshman Year, was written by George Valley, Undergraduate Planning Professor, and his assistant Wayne Stuart during the last two and one-half years. It is the result of analysis of many different statistics, and deals primarily with the Classes of 1968, 1969, and 1970.

PR questioned

The statistic called into question by the report is the "Personal Rating," which the Admissions Office assigns to each applicant for admission. It is a number between 5 and 10 which is supposed to measure the motivation and the social effectiveness of the applicant.

To quote the report: "there is little relationship between PR (Personal Rating) and personality....For the great majority of the students, no values at all can be observed in the Personal Rating—it is almost pure noise." (italics from the report.)

Valley's group tried to test the effectiveness of PR against several other presumed measures of motivation and social effectiveness. Items such as lecture attendance and the length of essays written on the applications form were found not to be correlated with the PR. A small correlation was found between people with high PR and those who received Compton awards, but in general the reports shows that PR has no significance on

leadership or social effectiveness. The admissions office, however, still uses PR as one of its criteria in accepting applicants.

Scholastic Index

The other measure used by the Admissions Office is the Scholastic Index (SI), now defined as the probability that an applicant will attain a 3.3 Freshman year (the limit was 3.2 for the Classes of '70 and '69, and 3.0 for previous classes). Valley found that, in general, this predictor wasn't too bad as long as it was high.

SI was useless, however, when it was tried as an indicator of which Freshmen needed to defer taking a course, or to be placed in a remedial section. In fact, the only good predictors of performance in a course are the quiz grades, and so the report recommends a thorough re-evaluation of a Freshman's position after his first set of quizzes.

Know College?

Other sections of the report debunk other favorite myths about MIT students in general, and Freshmen in particular. For example, the Classes of '69 and '70 were given a test asking them to categorize their personal philosophy about college in four ways, which may be summarized as Financial (to get a good job), Academic (likes to study), Social, and Rebellious. The overall distributions between these on this campus most nearly match the profiles of Know College and Whitman College—both small liberal arts colleges with connections to engineering schools.

MIT coeds, dealt with as a separate group, "are very different from those going to

Sarah Lawrence or Bennington." Coeds were also found to have significantly higher College Board scores on the SAT Math and Verbal tests and on the English Composition Achievement test, compared with students at Wellesley.

Math Performance

Some other results: good performance on the CEEB Math Achievement tests or the MIT placement test given during Freshman Weekend indicates that the student will do well in physics and/or chemistry, but doesn't say much about math. In fact, students who advance-place mathematics do better through all their Freshman science courses.

Found at Wellesley

The Tech cracks 'great art theft'

By Reid Ashe

What is believed to be the \$9,500 piece of modern sculpture which was stolen last week from Kresge Plaza was recovered on the Wellesley campus Sunday night by a daring team of The Tech staff members. After receiving an anonymous tip "Terrible Tony" Lima '69, "Gorgeous George" Flynn '69, "Raunchy Reid" Ashe '70, and "Pavel" Ambrozeic '69, rushed to the scene and triumphantly brought the stolen sculpture to The Tech office. It is rummrnd that Editor Driver Lima set speed records on the trips to and from Wellesley's Alumnae parking lot.

The sculpture, part of the controversial Park Place exhibit consists of a six-foot piece of I-beam with a large block of wood attached to one end. Wrapped around the block of wood is a very bald size 8.20x15 tubeless Firestone Deluxe Champion tire. The

Court delays induction; will hear Zigmond case

By Steve Carhart

A court-ordered stay of induction gave Dr. Michael Zigmond, Research Associate in Nutrition and Food Science and the first member of the MIT community to attempt to refuse induction, an opportunity to take his case to court. Zigmond was to have been inducted Friday. Roger Wertheimer, a Harvard philosophy tutor who was to refuse induction with Zigmond, was also denied that opportunity as the Army physician who examined him determined that he was 4-F due to a dislocatable shoulder.

Although he had already received his stay, Zigmond was advised by his attorneys to go to the induction center anyway, along with Wertheimer and about 350 demonstrators supporting their cause. Among the demonstrators were a large number of MIT students and faculty who had left the campus at 7 am to be present when the two resisters refused induction. Zigmond's stay proved to be an effective weapon against induction, as security officers would not even let him enter the induction center.

The morning's activities were summarized at a well-attended rally held at noon Friday in front of the Student Center. The rally offered a surprise of its own, as a few spectators in the front rows were violently attacked by a man who threatened to kill the "communist bastards." He wrestled one of the spectators to the ground and was trying to choke him until Lt. Olivieri of the Campus Patrol and several other spectators managed to subdue him.

Chomsky

After the opening excitement, Professor Noam Chomsky commented on the inability of the judiciary to make a judgment concerning the legality of the war and the role of the university in changing the current distribution of power in the nation. Following Chomsky was Rabbi Maurice Zigmond, Michael Zigmond's father and a religious counselor at Harvard.

Michael Zigmond then spoke briefly, but turned the microphone over to Wertheimer when the latter returned from the base. Wertheimer reported that he had "no tale of moral courage," and that he had been treated well at the base. He reported that he had (somehow) passed the Army intelligence test and the Army medical test, but when they saw his medical record, which included a dislocatable shoulder, they decided he was unfit for duty. He noted that they did not ask him whether it had been recently dislocated (it hadn't), nor did he tell them. The commanding officer's last words to him as he left the base were, "Good bye, Mr. Wertheimer; see you in the next war."

Professor Jerome Lettvin was the final faculty speaker, he denounced the division of conscription into many little steps which gradually work the student into the "system."

In an interview with The Tech, Zigmond said that his case will be heard this week in the Circuit Court. Because his case is based on the contention that his punitive reclassification has denied him constitutional rights, Zigmond believes that his plea may go to the Supreme Court.

sculpture made the trip back to MIT in the trunk of Lima's girlfriend's car with negligible overhang.

Roof top art show

After the work was stolen last week, the MIT Campus Patrol made a diligent search of the campus, but to no avail. The sculpture apparently spent its first week of liberation on the roof of the Phi Beta Epsilon house, which was reached through the adjoining Delta Kappa Epsilon house.

At about 2:00 am Sunday the sculpture was removed from the PBE roof, apparently to Wellesley. Later in the day came the tip-off call.

When the sculpture was recovered, a note was found attached to it which read:

May 11, 1968

To Whom it May Concern:

Although your first reaction to this piece of junk is undoub-

tedly one of disgust, let us assure you that it is a piece of "art" valued at \$9500.

It is part of a total monstrosity passed off as "sculpture" (sic) by Mark DiSuvero and Professor Wayne Anderson (sic). Chairman of the Faculty Committee on Visual Arts at M.I.T., in open defiance of the better judgement of our senses. It was stolen earlier this month from the "Park Place" exhibition currently on display at M.I.T.

Unfortunately, an Ad Hoc Student Committee on Environment which saw fit to remove the rest of the junk from its temporary resting place has been wrongly accused of this theft and has been subject to a good deal of criticism instead of being lauded. As we do not wish to implicate them in any manner, we wish to return this piece of "sculpture".

Please treat it with care that such a paragon of artistic merit deserves.

The Wooliest of Goats.

Attached to the note was a clipping from The Tech reporting the theft. Mistakes in the above quoted note are the thieves'. Mistakes in the attached article were ours.

When the Campus Patrolmen arrived at the newspaper office to carry off the artwork, they made no comment, maintaining a supremely unperturbed air. They carried the sculpture off down the hall amid cries of, "Is that it?" from bystanders, while George Flynn continued to snap pictures and the The Tech staffers soaked on smugly.

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Photo By George Flynn
The missing piece of the sculpture valued at \$9,500 being recovered from the Alumni parking lot at Wellesley.

Johnson names chairman for six new committees

President Howard W. Johnson has announced the appointment of several new committees with faculty and student membership. The names of the chairmen were released by the President's Office to The Tech, but the full membership lists will await the response of all those who have been asked to serve.

Heading the list is the new Committee on the Evaluation of Freshman Performance, recommended by the Faculty's vote to institute a four-year experiment with Freshman pass-fail. Professor Everett E. Hagen (Economics and Political Science) who headed the CEP task force that proposed the experiment, will be chairman of this committee. An ad hoc committee on Privacy of Information will be chaired by Professor Eugene B. Skolnikoff (Political Science).

Another ad hoc committee was appointed by the Provost, under the chairmanship of Professor James R. Munkres (Mathematics), to review the Academic Calendar and to consider alternatives to the present schedule and the timing of semesters.

Two new committees were set up for "continuing review of Placement Service and the Registrar's Office functions" with Professors Warren M. Rohsenow (Mechanical Engineering) and Abraham J. Siegel (Management) as chairmen, respectively. Mr. Johnson in-

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Service Fund organized

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dicated that these committees would function as "internal visiting committees, to ensure a wise and constructive stream of feedback" to the President and to the officers in charge of the Institute functions.

There are presently permanent faculty committees

Math test predicts Freshmen grades

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In the area of grades, the group found that Freshman cum was an excellent indicator of what the overall eight term cum would be, and that high grades in college were in general the best measure of success after college (followed by leadership in extracurricular activities). They found that, during the first term, students who go a grade of "F" worked the hardest, while actual work dropped off linearly toward the "A's". Also, high lecture attendance seems to be related to high grades, but "the bolder, more imaginative types stay away or get F's (or both)."

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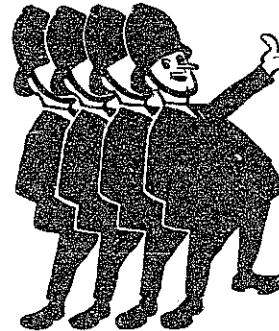
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on Industrial Liaison, admissions and financial aid, and there are also advisory committees for activities development and athletics, as well as for research, safety, and other aspects of the Institute operations.

In addition to the above committees, members of the faculty, students, staff, and representatives of the Alumni Association and the Corporation will be appointed to the Board of Trustees of a newly created MIT Community Service Fund. This fund is being established

at the recommendation of the Committee on Community Service and the Student Social Committee. (These recommendations were accepted and incorporated in a resolution adopted by the Faculty). The purpose of the Fund will be to solicit contributions from all members of the Institute community, to receive donations and grants from outside sources, and to consider proposals by Institute groups for use of funds on various MIT-related community projects.



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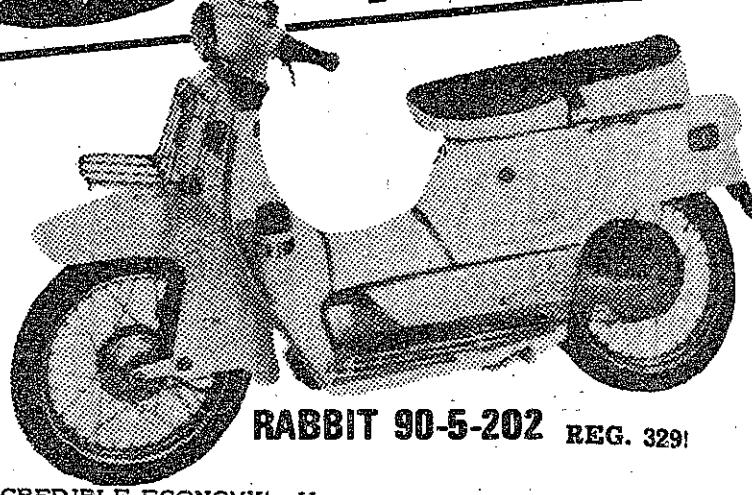
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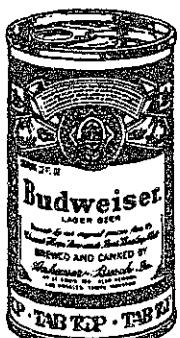
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Prof. Anderson is pleased with student reaction to art

By Greg Bernhardt

"I'm turned on by the dialogue," commented Professor Wayne Andersen in reference to the controversy over the sculpture of the Park Place Exhibit. Andersen, Director of Exhibitions and Chairman of the Committee on the Visual Arts, expressed pleasure at the amount of reaction generated by the exhibit which sought to involve students in the creation of art.

Many students expressed the opinion that the Park Place Exhibit sculpture was better defined as junk than artwork. When asked about the actual artistic value of the works, Andersen replied that "My position is neutral." Andersen, however, is responsible for selecting what appears in the exhibitions.

Andersen further stated that the MIT exhibitions of modern art are unexcelled in the New England area and are topped

only by the New York Museum of Modern Art in the east. Commenting on the rather limited scope, he pointed out that it's not the same as if MIT were the only center of art in the area. Extensive collections of classical works are exhibited elsewhere in Boston.

Andersen stressed that the financing for most phases of the exhibitions is purely from donations given for that purpose. MIT general funds do not pay for the artwork in the exhibitions nor do they pay for acquisitions to its permanent collection. Donations are placed in a special fund which the Committee uses to purchase paintings and sculpture.

Andersen feels that MIT has experienced a surge of interest in visual arts. He points to the attendance figures for the six exhibitions in 1966-67. Over 42,300 attended and over 2500 attended the openings.

Fraternity forum debates role in community affairs

By Scott Hartley

Nearly 100 fraternity students and alumni discussed the problems of students in the Back Bay environment Saturday at the Alumni Interfraternity Council workshop in the Sala de Puerto Rico. Speakers at the workshop included President Howard Johnson, Daniel Finn, Director of Boston's Office of Public Service, Daniel Ahearn, Executive Director of the Back Bay Planning and Development Corporation, Lawrence Perera, President of the Neighborhood Association of Back Bay, and Mace Wenniger, Project Director for the Boston Redevelopment Authority.

Active involvement

Johnson welcomed the early risers in introductory remarks in which he expressed his conception of the demands on the modern university for what he called, "an active involvement with the community during the educational process."

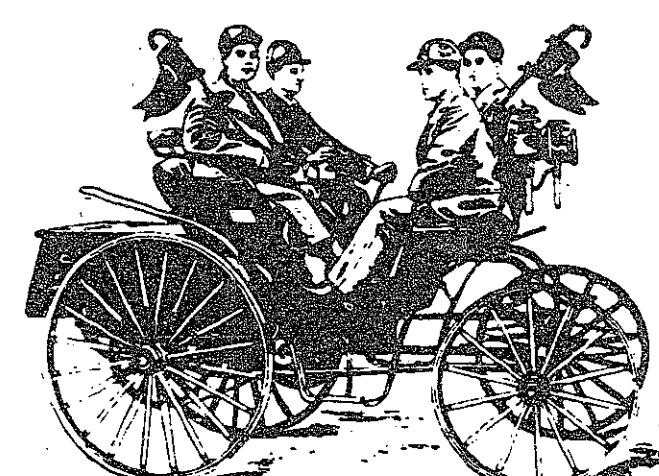
Ahearn then spoke on resident-student relations. He

pointed out that one possible reason for the present friction between the two was that many of the young people taken for granted are not really going to school full time or with any definite purpose. Ahearn also registered approval of a program to locate housing for Institute instructors in the Back Bay.

Enlarging on the problems created by part-time students and vagrants, Perera added that there are currently over 30 college-type institutions in the Back Bay area alone, many of which carry little of the responsibility of real colleges. Some may be operated by real estate agents taking advantage of college tax exemptions.

Push for removal

Wenniger confirmed a policy trend among many local groups to push fraternities out of the area entirely. If the fraternities are to stay, he stated, they will have to become better integrated into the neighborhood.



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Letters to the Tech

Pass-Fail

To the Editor:

On Wednesday, May 15, the faculty will vote on whether or not to extend the three semester experiment on Senior Pass-Fail. Under this experiment Seniors are allowed to designate one course each semester to be taken pass-fail. The question before the faculty is whether or not to continue such a system during the Senior year. The Class of 1969 is the class on which this decision will have its most immediate effect. To determine how members of next year's Senior Class feel about this impending decision, a poll was distributed by the Student Committee on Educational Policy and the Executive Committee of the Class of 1969. The results showed overwhelming opinion in favor of Senior Pass-Fail. On the basis of these results, I think that it is clear that next year's Senior Class would like to participate in the Senior Pass-Fail Program.

Therefore, I strongly urge the faculty to vote in favor of the Senior Pass-Fail Program.

Mark Mathis
President, Class of 1969
Columbia

To the Editor:

The Tech's recent editorial and articles on the situation at Columbia University were quite trenchant. I should like to add, with your permission, the following pertinent points which have not appeared in your august columns:

1. The land designated by the New York State Legislature for the new West Harlem community and Columbia athletic facilities is NOT valuable recreational land. It may be valuable since it is in Manhattan, but its only recreational value is for mountain or rock-climbing. The proposed facilities will be much more valuable recreationally to the West Harlem community.

2. The anarchists' demand

for amnesty is completely in character since a blanket grant of amnesty would be, in fact, saying that people are not responsible for their actions. This would result in complete anarchy. In addition it means that the members of Students for a Demagogic (read Democratic if democracy is synonymous with demagogery and anarchy) Society are not willing to suffer for what they consider to be morally right.

My best wishes to the entire staff of Vol. 88 for a refreshing summer and continued perspicacious pertinaciousness.

Peter Peckarsky '68

Intramural

To the Editor:

As the new chairman of the Intramural Council, I would like to take issue with the last "Benchwarmer" column by Tom Thomas—not only with its content, but its manner of presentation. The article accuses the Council of extreme living group biases, to the point of the deterioration of the intramural program.

First of all, to say the Council is deteriorating by pointing to disputes and meeting attendance is somewhat misguided. The single, most important measure of the Council's success or failure is the number of participants and their interest in playing intramural sports. At the present time, student pressure to increase both the number of contests and practice facilities is in effect bursting the capabilities of available space. In the light of such spirited interest, I can't see that the IM Council or what it administers can properly be deemed "deteriorating."

I credit my very election, at least partially, to an awareness of the unbalanced living group representation on the Council. I was the first non-SAE chairman for many a year. My own house, AEPi, does not worry about guarding its position in the running for the IFC trophy.

I, with many other Council members, am trying to change the character of the Council. Next year, for the first time, IM Council will recruit freshmen at Activities Midway and with posters, articles, and letters. This should find more qualified members from a variety of living groups.

Also, managers will be required to justify seedings before they are official. The Executive Committee will be in charge of a type of "cross examination." It is interesting to note that these ideas evolved before Thomas' column was written, but not having spoken with me he couldn't have known that.

Since athletics is by nature a competition, it is not extraordinary to sponsor a recognition of the best competitor. The All Sports and IFC trophies do this. However, there is a difference between competition and cutthroat competition. Animosity among two or three fraternities of all the living groups speaks badly of their philosophical motives in IM participation, not of the trophies.

Jeff Weissman '69

IM Council Chairman

The Board of Directors of The Tech are pleased to announce the election of Steve Kinney '70 (Kappa Sigma) as Business Manager and Dave DeWitt '69 (Sigma Alpha Epsilon) as Advertising Editor for the remainder of Volume 88.

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MIT's "closed door policy"

By Jim Smith
and Mark Spitzer

There are many closed doors at the Institute other than the door to 10-250 during faculty meetings. Indeed, there are many doors within the faculty and administration which are closed to the faculty member himself. It is these closed doors, closed both to faculty and students, which deserve some exposure.

First, the average faculty member is totally uninformed of policy considerations until they become policy decisions. The CEP's policy of not even divulging its agenda applies to faculty as well as to students. Faculty cannot attend CEP meetings uninvited. It appears to be more comfortable to work in a political vacuum.

Few faculty realize that Prof. George Valley has even written his final report as Undergraduate Planning Professor, and far fewer have received a copy of it. The Professor has a list of persons to receive the report and insists that no others receive it. He promises now to make "two or three" copies of the year-old report (recently finalized) available to students, but right now the Chairman of SCEP cannot even have a copy, and Wayne Stuart will not release copies until his boss returns in mid-June.

At an Inscomm meeting Robert Simha of the planning office admitted that much of what is in his office is closed to the faculty. And for a final example, few professors have even heard of the "experimental college" being worked on by Prof. Valley, much less received any reports.

Doors closed to students

As for doors closed to students, the same ones listed above apply, plus a few more. For example, a student who is petitioning the Committee on Curricula may not even make his case in person. As another example, each year the freshman council conducts a momentous survey of freshman discontents about the curriculum, the advisory system, environment and so forth. The report this year was about 20 pages long. The effort expended by the freshmen is hardly rewarded by the way in which Prof. Valley's office keeps the results practically under lock and key. One is lucky to see a copy only by getting a member of freshman council to borrow one for a few days. The confidential status of all such reports makes it comfortable for the Institute because discontents are not given the impact of statistical support publicly.

As a final example, next Wednesday the faculty will be electing officers for its various committees. As usual, the nominations committee will submit one name for each post, no additional nominations will be made, and the elections will be farcically carried out. When we attempted simply to obtain for publication a copy of the nominations list, our request was denied.

In conclusion, it might be pointed out to those who would defend the status quo, that the whole problem at Columbia which precipitated the recent uprising was the closed nature of such policy channels. The degree may be different; the problem is the same.

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Front page photo of Memorial Drive by George Flynn



Mathis, Dear Chosen

Inscomm meeting picks Lecture, PRC chairmen

Mark Mathis '69 was elected by a white ballot to the chairmanship of Inscomm's Lecture program committee at Sunday's meeting. According to Mathis, the committee will aim for an "integrated program" of lectures which will include living group programs, such as the East Campus lecture series.

The idea of trading an IFC representative for one from Random Hall was scrapped, and there was general agreement that Inscomm should be reorganized. A reorganization committee will present recommendations by October 15, and there will be a student referendum sometime in December.

Announcements

Kenneth B. Clark, Professor of Psychology at CCNY and noted Social Psychologist, will speak Wednesday at 8:00 PM in Kresge Auditorium on the subject of racism. This is the second in a series of three lectures on dilemmas facing students and faculty.

JAP Maria Kivisild is interested in getting ideas and people with ideas for discussion and possible re-organization of student government. Interested students should express their ideas and interest by leaving a note in the Inscomm office.

The Social Service Committee will expand its activities this summer to include more participation by MIT students. The three basic projects this summer will be "Tutoring Plus," for tutoring Cambridge school children; "La Oportunidad," for tutoring Spanish-speaking children in English and other subjects; and "MIT Upward Bound," formerly called the "MIT Science Day Camp." Questions should be addressed to Ben Roberts, X 3206.

Coop's problems examined

By Robert Dennis

Several controversial policies and practices of the Harvard Cooperative Society were clarified during recent interviews with some of the Coop's management personnel.

Dividend could increase

Concerning the patronage refund the news is encouraging. John G. Morrill, The Society's General Manager, announced that the Board of Directors have recently voted to increase the refund rates from 6% (charge) and 8% (cash) to 7% and 9%. Although the final figures will not be determined until the fall, Morrill believes that they will eventually be "somewhat in excess" of the current 6-8% level.

The General Manager explained why the Coop has been "in a bind" concerning the refunds for the last few years. A 1962 Internal Revenue Service directive ordered that a co-operative society can distribute to its members only those profits resulting from sales with the members. Since about 20% of the Coop's business is with non-members, the Society was hard-pressed to meet the former 8 and 10% refund rates which were in effect until 1967. Last year, this ruling, in addition

to rising costs, forced the lowering of the rates as the Coop distributed \$674,000 (down from a record \$766,000 in 1966) from its sales of \$14,157,533 to its 59,000 members.

Shoplifting—a major problem

Along with cost of borrowed funds and wage increases, much of the rising costs can be attributed to The Coop's extraordinarily high "shortage figure"—the business term for the degree of customer shoplifting, employee stealing, and bad paperwork. Mr. Morrill asserted that the three factors contributed equally to total losses last year of about \$300,000, about twice the normal figure for a store of The Coop's size. He declared that the refunds could have remained at 8 and 10% if such losses could have been held to the normal level. Pointing out that the shoplifting problem is greater at MIT than at Harvard, he announced that procedures are underway to improve the situation in all three factors.

Not overpriced

Regarding The Coop's pricing scheme, both Morrill and Warren Mansfield, manager of the Tech Coop, emphatically denied that articles are overpriced. Both stressed that all prices are in accordance with the quality of the articles, and that, although there may be certain exceptional cases both higher and lower, The Coop's prices are generally "competitive."

In most departments, selling prices are usually predetermined by the manufacturer (clothing and appliances) or publisher (textbooks). Overall, Morrill pointed out that The Coop's average gross profit margin of 30.5% is below the national average of 33.82% for stores in the \$10-20-million annual sales range. Morrill offered 22% as the average percentage of price that must be subtracted from the gross profit figure to repre-

sent operating expenses.

Examples of gross profit margins are the book department's figure of 26% (which itself is an average of 20% on textbooks and higher rates for used books, paperbacks, etc) and 39% on men's clothing. These two departments represent about one-third and one-eighth of the Tech Coop's business, respectively. Mansfield relates that only fear of customer outcry prevented him from closing the film processing service due to the extraordinarily low margins that used to prevail in that department (they have since been raised slightly).

Although its managers maintain that it is unfounded, The Coop realizes that it suffers from an image of overpricing. In an effort to rectify this situation, the Board is this week conducting a meeting of student representatives from MIT and Harvard and advertising personnel in order to discuss possible ways of combatting this belief among customers.

Textbook problem

On another matter of concern to students, Philip Castle, in charge of purchasing textbooks at the Tech Coop, discussed the chronic problem of understocking and overstocking of textbooks. The situation results in student and faculty uproar when books are lacking and a small loss for The Coop incurred in returning unsold books when orders are too high.

Although he insists that communication with the faculty is excellent, Castle explained the obvious difficulty in accurately estimating course enrollment before registration. Since we are competing with other schools for most textbooks, it is necessary to order them about 2½ months in advance to avoid the risks and higher costs of last-minute rush orders. Castle said that only pre-registration, which is used at several other schools to avoid not only such ordering errors but also the problem of excessively long lines on registration day, can truly alleviate the problem.

School of Science offers experimental undesignated B.S.

The School of Science last week announced a new course leading to an undesignated Bachelor of Science degree. The course will be administered by the Department of Geology and Geophysics and students will be registered in Course X11-B.

Each student's curriculum will be arranged in consultation with an advisor to achieve a "broad, interdisciplinary and coherent education in science." Students graduating from X11-B will receive a Bachelor of Science without designation of field and are expected to qualify for graduate school admission in one of the physical, environmental or applied sciences.

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music....**Blue Cheer concert waxes sour**

By Steve Grant

Blue Cheer, my friends, is a drag, a bore, and an insufferable musical insult. As another touted group out of San Francisco, they were a keen disappointment in their performance Thursday night at the Boston Tea Party.

Blue Cheer is first, foremost, and nothing more than, one thing: loud. Their overwhelming volume has an interesting effect: it numbs the listener's senses until after two or three songs he has been driven into submission—total subservience to the band's artistic whim. Unfortunately the Cheer lack the imagination to do anything creative with this very useful power. They just continue to club the audi-

ence to death with their astonishingly limited set of deafening chords and runs. Other loud groups, most notably Jefferson Airplane, manage to accomplish a great deal with threshold volume, but the net effect of Blue Cheer is that of a sledgehammer rape of the eardrums with not an iota of artistry accompanying their thunderous delivery.

High points

They did manage two good moments in the entire show. Their initial impact is easily awesome, and compelling. The group's superficiality starts to show through, however, when the listener notices that the noise hasn't changed a bit since the beginning of the show. The second highlight, and the

only musically valid one, was the slow, plastic blues of "Rock Me Baby," which started out solid and driving but eventually went the route of all the other monotonous songs.

On the basis of this very boring concert and their equally non-musical album "Vincebus Eruptum" Blue Cheer gets the "Bummer of the Month" Award of all the featured bands that appeared at the Tea Party. (Butter, the side band on the bill with Traffic, was more rancid, but then again not the main attraction.)

The Quill

The second band with Blue Cheer, the Quill, was, on the other hand, thoroughly enjoyable. Their drummer especially showed some fine work. The whole group seemed a mite self-conscious and forced, but this wasn't anything to greatly upset the show. When the Quill gets rid of their minor schlock influences, they will be well worth everybody's attention.

Also deserving words of praise is the Tea Party itself. The music is often great, the light shows anything from blinding to mind-blowing, the food and soda are free, and the whole place is a good example of what total-environment rock can be like. The one major fault is with the acoustics of the place, which resembles a large barn. The amplification balance between instruments and vocal is often bad. This was particularly obvious with Blue Cheer, whose singer just plain could not be heard. It's a shame—his very, very plastic (not at all synonymous with "bad") quasi-soul showed some promise when audible. On the whole, though, the Tea Party remains Boston's best rock forum, where "having a good time" is what matters.

Next week the Tea Party will showcase the Velvet Underground and their hard-rock/talking blues syndrome.

Park Place Exhibit opened in Hayden, Building 7 lobby

By Karen Wattel

The much-publicized Park Place Exhibit opened officially Friday night at the Hayden Gallery and surrounding areas. It is well worth visiting for the experience, even if it is not your type of art.

The opening was attended by about 300 who wandered between the gallery and the courtyard outside, sipping wine from aesthetic plastic cups, joining the exhibit by banging on the "Make Love Not War" sculpture with the mallet provided, swinging in the tire of another piece or climbing on one resembling a playground jungle-gym.

Included in the exhibit of about 25 pieces done by mem-

bers and associates of the Park Place Group are a 40-foot aluminum sculpture by David Von Schlegall newly acquired by MIT, a 17 foot "traffic yellow" welded steel tower by Peter Forakis, two triangular paintings by Taman Melcher, and colorful shaped canvases by Gay Glading. In the Rogers Building lobby is a 30 foot sculpture-mockup of cardboard, erected last week by Forakis with the help of MIT students.

The Tech was also part of the exhibit. Pages from the last two issues focusing on the early campus reception of the exhibit were photographed and enlarged, then placed under glass and hanged for all to see.

Down HBC, 5-3**Tech ruggers take third in Harvard tournament**

MIT's fighting ruggers smashed over the Harvard Business School as they went on to take third place in the Harvard Business Seven-a-Sides Tournament. Jim Evans scored and Pedro Taborga converted to give Tech the winning margin over the Business School of 5-3.

Fall to BRC

After beating Harvard, Tech then took on the Boston Rugby Club. Roy Talus scored in the first half and Tech dug in to give the eventual tournament winners their only real challenge of the afternoon. Boston had to pull the game out with a score and conversion in the final minute of play. Tech gained the final consolation round by overwhelming the Holy Cross seven. Talus, Tech's leading rusher, scored twice and Tom Gerrity completed a precisely executed scissors play with a try. Wayne Baxter converted.

Shutting out highly touted Boston College 3-0 gained the third place finish. A sustained forward rush with Bill Stowell charging through for a try resulted in the only score of the game.

Top scorers for MIT this year have been inside center Roy Talus with 21 and hooker Bill Thilly with 15. Sid Kawansky (second row), Tom Fortman (prop), John Lásley (second row), and Bob Penn (wing forward) have turned in consistent, fine play among the forwards. Jim Brown (fly half) and Pedro Taborga (scrum half) have been outstanding in both play and team leadership in the backfield.

The ruggers are looking toward their last game of the season at Hanover this Saturday as they take on a tough Dartmouth team. Theses and "end of term slump" might cut into the engineer's power.

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fresh sports

Stickmen rout Lawrence

By Dan Swift

The lacrosse team had little difficulty in overcoming an outclassed team from Lawrence Academy by an 8-3 margin. The engineers completely dominated the game through the first three quarters, shutting out their opponents 8-0. Ken Lord led all scorers with three goals, while Stu Frost and Dave Peterson each chipped in two.

Racquetmen win seventh

The netmen assured themselves of a winning season as they came up with their seventh victory, defeating Lawrence Academy 7-2. After all six singles won, coach Randall decided to grant a rest to Steve Gottlieb and Steve Cross, and moved in Len Gershun and Rich Roth. The new pair responded in fine style, defeating their opponents 12-5, while the other two doubles teams lost.

Lights place third

Both light and heavyweight crews competed in the EARC Sprint Regatta at Worcester. The heavyweights finished last in their heat; but the

lightweights, although seeded fifth out of ten schools, turned in a third place finish in the finals. In fact there was only one tenth of a second separating them from a second place finish, as they were edged out by Penn. Harvard placed first, about a length ahead of Penn and MIT.

Seemingly relying on miracles, Coach Vince Eldred almost pulled a victory out of thin air as the Tech nine dropped an 11-10 heartbreaker to Emerson. With the engineers down 11-4 in the latter part of the game, he took out many of his regulars and replaced them with second stringers. With five walks, one hit batsman, and two base hits, MIT came up with six runs in the bottom of the ninth, but found itself a run behind.

The track team defeated Williams Saturday by a ten point margin. Bruce Daniels was the big standout as he was a member of the first place 440 and mile relay teams, and took first place in both the 100 and 220. His time in the 220 was a nifty 22.5 seconds.

Harvard dominates Sprints; JV lights qualify for finals

By Harry Drab

The twenty-third edition of the Eastern Sprints left MIT with little cause of wild elation, as only one of Tech's varsity boats managed to qualify for a starting position in the finals. Strong Harvard crews commanded almost all divisions, as they took all but two events in the finals.

The heavyweight varsity finished fourth in its qualifying heat, beating BU by about a length, but never seriously challenging Penn or Rutgers, the two finalists from that heat. They were last in the consolation race. The JV boat, after holding solidly onto second place for over half of its 2000-meter qualifying heat, allowed Princeton and Syracuse to slip by and finished fourth also.

The lightweight varsity found itself in an extremely tight qualifier, one of three boats crossing the line within five-tenths of a second of each other. The engineers came out on the wrong end of the half-second, though, getting nipped by Navy and Columbia. The loss to Navy was a surprise, since a week before the lights had beaten Navy by almost two lengths while racing them and Penn at Philadelphia. In warming up for the consolation heat, the varsity's seven man pulled a back muscle, forcing the boat to withdraw from competition.

JV lights qualify

The lightweight junior varsity boat qualified easily behind Cornell and Harvard. In the finals they found themselves in pretty much the same place, except that Penn also managed to creep in there ahead of them.

Chess team wins easily in Eastern Championships

After cruising through the New England championships during spring vacation, the MIT chess team recently tackled the Eastern Intercollegiate Chess tournament at Manchester, New Hampshire, and again found little difficulty in capturing the first place crown.

The engineers emerged from the competition with 17 wins, one draw, and two losses. However, one of the losses was matched by another MIT victory from the same game as Charles Koplik '71 met Jed Stein '71 for the individual championships. Koplik took first place.

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Karate Club gives exhibition break boards during A-Ball

By Peter Lindner

This year's A-Ball at Walker Memorial featured a karate exhibition. The demonstration was put on under the auspices of the newly-organized MIT Karate Club with the assistance of the New England Tae Kwon Do (Korean Karate) Association of Boston. Both the club and the school are run by Dong Pil Kim, a fifth-degree black belt who has been an instructor for more than ten years.

Not enough boards

The A-Ball performance by 11 students was highlighted by two spectacular breakings by second-degree black belt Won Kim '71 (no relation to Mr. Kim; an estimated 26% of Koreans have the surname Kim). He first broke three one-inch boards with a two-step side kick, stating afterwards that there should have been more boards, as his extra power had caused him to break through thigh-deep instead of ankle-deep as he should have. Kim also performed a spinning back kick, breaking a board loosely held at arm's

length by another student.

Young Kwak '69, who along with Mr. Kim and Won Kim is an instructor at the MIT club, gave a running commentary at the exhibition. About 45 students attended the club, learning fundamentals of karate with particular emphasis on the use of the feet.

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Sophmores lead team

Golfers tie for third; URI claims NE title

Tech's golfers turned a dismal spring season into a very good one Friday with a third place finish in the New England golf championships. In the 33-team field MIT finished in a tie with WPI, Tufts, and Boston College at 315, trailing URI at 304 and UNH (on their home course) at 310.

Sophomores Don Aderson '70 and Ken Smolek '70 led the squad with fine rounds of 76 and 77 respectively. Finishing out Tech scoring were Carl Everett '69 with an 80 and captain Gerry Banner with an 82.

Sophs Advance

Anderson's four-over-par round over the demanding 7107 yard Portsmouth Country Club layout earned him a tie for fourth in the qualifying round. The top 16 scores qualified for the individual match play championship on Saturday and Sunday. Smolek also qualified for the match play tourney.

Both players won their Saturday morning matches. Anderson was two over par for 16 holes as he disposed of Paul Eggert of Maine 3 and 2. Although he did not play particularly well, Smolek squeezed by Bissonetti of UNH who qualified with a 75. Ken was down one after 15 before he captured the next two holes with pars and halved the eighteenth to win one up.

In the afternoon quarterfinal matches both Tech entrants were knocked out of the tourney.

Although the combined record for the fall and spring seasons is only 9-8, Coach John Merriman's men are hoping for a trip to the NCAA college division tournament June 10-14 in Beaumont, Texas.

Amherst cops title

Netmen capture fifth in NE

By Jon Steele

In the New Englands at Amherst last weekend the tennis team piled up eight wins to take fifth place in the field of over twenty teams. Amherst, Harvard, Yale, and Dartmouth were the teams to place ahead of MIT.

Four wins Friday

The Techmen started our Friday morning with four quick singles victories. Steve Deneroff '68 defeated Peter Gingas of Boston College 6-1, 6-2; Bob Metcalfe '69 defeated Pete Forsslund of Wesleyan 6-1, 7-9, 6-4; Carl Weissgerber '68 defeated Mark Quebman of Bryant College 6-0, 6-1; and Bob McKinley '70 defeated SMTI's Scott Getenby 6-1, 6-2. McKinley was seeded fourth in the tournament but he ran into trouble from Dartmouth's Rick Dyer in the second round. Dyer played patient, steady tennis to upset McKinley 6-3, 6-3. Metcalfe was eliminated by Har-

yard's Jose Gonzales, a nationally ranked squash player as well as an excellent tennis player, 6-1, 6-3, and Weissgerber fell to Barry Wright of Trinity 6-2, 6-3; but Deneroff played his best tennis of the year to defeat Trinity's Mike Behrand 6-4, 6-1, thus moving into the round of sixteen. Saturday morning, however, Deneroff was defeated 6-1, 6-3 by eighth seeded Bob Draisin from Springfield

Gain a third

In the doubles, Deneroff and Weissgerber drew Harvard's Gonzales and Perott in the first round and were eliminated 6-3, 6-1. McKinley and Weiss were seeded third in the doubles; they upheld their seeding by blitzing to the semi-finals while losing only eleven games. They defeated teams from Brandeis, Boston College, and SMTI. The semi-finals were played on Sunday morning and rain at Amherst

caused the tournament to be moved to an indoor tennis club in Hartford. Here McKinley and Weiss faced Amherst's Steketee and Warner. From the start of the match it was obvious that the MIT team was volleying better than the opponents. Thus, Amherst changed its strategy. Rather than continuing volleys, the Amherst duo threw up a steady stream of lobs. Neither McKinley nor Weiss are known for their strong overheads, and in the end the Amherst strategy paid off, 6-2, 1-6, 6-1.

How They Did

Baseball

MIT (V) 5, Bowdoin 4
Bates 7, MIT (V) 2

Emerson II, MIT (F) 10

Track

MIT (V) 106, Williams 48

Lacrosse

Wesleyan 9, MIT (V) 8

MIT (F) 8, Lawrence Academy 3

Trackmen trounce Williams

Bill McLeod '69 won the long jump in 20-11 and took a second behind Kjell Karlstrud '68 in the triple jump. McLeod was within a yard of Hemmelstein in both the 100 and 220 but had to settle for a second in each. Larry Kelly '70 rounded out the Tech sprinting threesome and connected for a 50.2 440 victory, a third in the Tech-swept 220, and ran third leg of the winning 440 relay with a speedy opponent crushing kick.

Two wins for Andree

Fred Andree '70 swamped the throwing events with a 143' 5" lead of the MIT discus sweep along with Jim Sicilian '69 and Bruce Lautenschlager '70. Fred and Bruce took one-three in the hammer throw at 143' 2", and later threw to a two-three finish in the shot put.

Ben Wilson '70 won the 880 with a 1:56.9 clocking and John Wargo '70 chipped in a second for another Tech one-two. Wilson and Wargo later ran the first and second legs of the winning mile relay.

Captain Steve Sydoriak '68 vaulted 13' 6" to earn the first half of the home thincads' one-three in the pole vault with Tom Hafer '70 on the other half.

Henry Hall '70 easily won the 120 high hurdles, while Carl

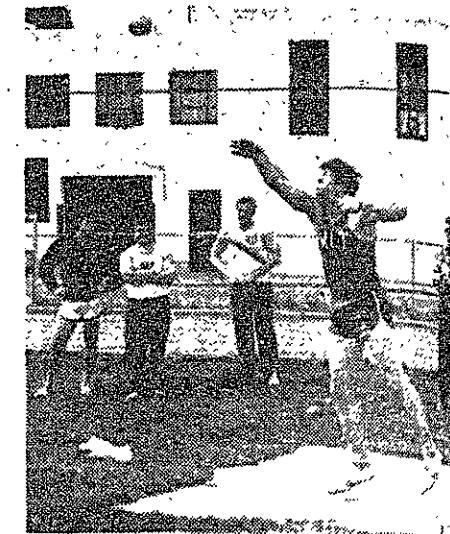


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Fred Andree '70 heaves the toss that earned him second place in the shot against Williams.

Reed '70 and Don Rosenfield '69 combined for a second and third respectively in the 440 intermediate hurdles. Scoring one-two in the high jump for the engineers were Dave Ogrydziak '68, who took first with a six-foot leap, and Larry Lowry '70.

Host 14-team meet

MIT's outdoor dual meet record is 5-1 with victories over Bates, Bowdoin, Tufts, Boston University, and Williams; the sole loss was at the hands of New Hampshire.

Tech sailors tie for third in dinghy championships

The MIT varsity sailing team finished out its season this weekend by tying for third place in the NE Dinghy Championships. Eight qualifying schools participated in the regatta held in light winds and rain in Long Island Sound off New Haven, Conn.

On Saturday Tech started with captain Dick Smith '69 skippering in A division and Bob Berliner '70 skippering in B. Steve Milligan '70 and Bill Michels '70 were their respective crews. Unfortunately Tech had never sailed the sloop-rigged 420's at Yale in light air, and consequently, they started very poorly.

Change skippers

After MIT got a few good breaks

only to make mental mistakes that blew their chances, Coach "Hatch" Brown switched skippers. Steve Milligan and Dick Smith swapped places in A division and Dave McComb '70 came in to skipper in B division with Berliner moving to crew. With four races remaining on Saturday, Tech was tied with two other schools for last, seven points from second and 16 behind Yale.

Sunday, going into the last six races, the engineers were in fourth place, 12 points behind Yale, nine behind Tufts, six behind Coast Guard, and one point out of fifth. MIT needed a big comeback and returned to its first skippers, Smith and Berliner. Unfortunately they once again couldn't get untracked and lost several golden opportunities less than 100 yards from the finish. So for the last two races Hatch turned to Milligan and McComb. With Steve's fourth and Dave's second, MIT managed to gain 11 points, Tufts and tie them for third. The final standings were YALE(113), CG(104), MIT(88), TUFTS(88), Brown(83), Dartmouth(77), Harvard(74), and URI(73).

Tech nine tops Bowdoin, 5-4

By Joe England

The Tech nine met with mixed results last week, defeating Bowdoin 5-4 on Thursday but dropping to Bates 7-2 on Saturday.

Against Bowdoin, the engineers jumped off to a quick 1-0 lead on singles by Bruce Wheeler '70, Jeff Weissman '69 and Jim Reid '68. Bowdoin tied it up on an unearned run in the top of the second and added three more in the fourth as they capitalized on Wheeler's temporary wildness. The lead was cut to one run when the engineers rallied twice in the bottom of the sixth. Lee Bristol '69 drew a base on balls and moved to third on a single by Rich Freyberg '70. A sacrifice bunt by John Compton '70 scored Bristol and moved Freyberg to second. Ron Kole '70 then singled to bring the

score to 4-3. Bowdoin was held scoreless in the top of the seventh and the engineers tallied twice in the bottom of the inning to take the lead. Weissman reached base on an error and Reid and Bob Kiburz '68 were walked. Base hits by Freyberg and Rick Young '68 brought in two runs and gave Tech a 5-4 lead. Wheeler held the opposition scoreless for the next two innings to collect the victory

Winningest pitcher

The victory, Wheeler's fifth against three losses, established a new MIT record for victories in a single season. No pitcher prior to this year had collected more than three wins. Bruce is being accompanied in his assault on the record book by Dave Dewitte '69 who has collected four wins so far this year.

Bates leads early

On Saturday, however, things didn't go quite so well. Bates took an early lead off starter Dewitte and never relinquished it. Three hits and two walks were enough to give the opposition a 4-0 lead at the end of the first inning. There was no scoring for the next four innings, but Bates added two more in the top of the sixth. Herman Mayfarth '70 was brought in to relieve Dewitte and the inning ended with the team down 6-0. The engineers managed to eke out a run without a base hit in the bottom of the seventh. When Bristol, Young, Kole and Wheeler were walked. Bates struck again in the eighth and their lead stood at 7-1. In the bottom of the ninth, the Tech nine managed to score once. Compton lead off with a pinch hit single and moved to third on a base hit by Kole. Wheeler collected his second RBI of the game with a sacrifice fly to the center fielder. The scoring ended there, however, and Bates collected a 7-2 victory.



Photo by Steve Gretter
Bruce Wheeler '70 lets fly another pitch against Bowdoin as he took his fifth win of the season.

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